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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
09/706,684	11/06/2000	Yves Maetz	PF990072

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FORMALITIES LETTER



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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Filing Date Granted

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 710 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$80.
  - \$80 for 1 independent claims over 3 .
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 920.

A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2000

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.  
Small Entity payments must be supported by a small entity statement,  
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See 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.27 and 1.28.

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)  
830.00

## Complete if Known

Application Number	
Filing Date	Herewith
First Named Inventor	Yves Maetz, et al.
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## METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

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2. ☐ Payment Enclosed:  
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## FEE CALCULATION

## 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	201	345		Utility filing fee	710.00
106	310	206	155	Design filing fee	
107	480	207	240	Plant filing fee	
108	690	208	345	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	

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710.00

## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
15	-20** =		
4	-3** =	80.	80.00

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Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	78	202	39	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	260	204	130	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
109	78	209	39	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)  
80.00

## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

## 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	380	216	180	Extension for reply within second month	
117	870	217	435	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,360	218	680	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,850	228	925	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	300	219	150	Notice of Appeal	
120	300	220	150	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	260	221	130	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,210	241	605	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,210	242	605	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	430	243	215	Design issue fee	
144	580	244	280	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
126	240	126	240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00
146	690	246	345	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	690	249	345	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)  
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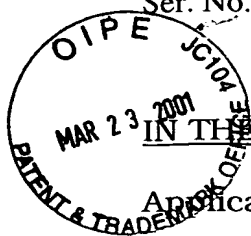
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Yves Maetz and Nour-Eddine Tazine  
Serial No. : 09/706,684  
Filed : November 6, 2000  
For : PROCESS FOR TRANSMITTING AND PROCESSING AN  
EVOLUTIVE ABSTRACT IN A TELEVISION SYSTEM,  
RECEIVER AND TRANSMITTER IN SUCH A SYSTEM

**Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of  
Nonprovisional Application**

Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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**Remarks**

This refers to the attached copy of a "Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" mailed March 14, 2001, stating that applicant has a balance due of \$920 (\$790 application fees plus \$130 fee to avoid abandonment) in connection with the above-identified application. This statement of a balance due is incorrect.

Pursuant to a telephone conversation with the USPTO representative Norma Villarivera today, March 21, 2001, my administrator, Linda Tindall, was informed that the United States Patent Office had been instructed on November 6, 2000, to charge our Deposit Account 07-0832 for the filing fee of \$710.00 and also for the \$80.00 fee for an additional independent claim. (See attached copy of Fee Transmittal Letter dated November 6, 2000).


Ms. Villarivera indicated that she will order the subject application file, and will notify the person who generated the "Notice to Filing Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application" mailed March 14, 2001

of the fact that the Patent Office had been instructed to charge our account for the \$790 application fees in question.

Please change the Patent Office records to reflect that applicant does not have a balance due of in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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March 21, 2001

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**I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on March 21, 2001.**

  
**Ronald H. Kurdyla**

**March 21, 2001**  
**Date**